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SOUTH BEACH HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN SOUTH FREMANTLE-COCKBURN

- 1254. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure In relation to the South Beach housing development in South Fremantle/Cockburn -
- (1) In its submission to the South Beach Structure Plan in 2002 did the Fremantle Port Authority state that there should be no residences within 65 metres of the rail line and that there should only be public open space within 30 metres of the rail line?
- (2) Is the Minister aware that the South Beach developers have lodged a subdivision application for the former ANI Bradkin site?
- (3) Does the subdivision plan have housing within the 65 metre buffer zone proposed by the Fremantle Port Authority?

Hon KEN TRAVERS replied:

- (1) Fremantle Ports expressed concern that, unless noise mitigation measures are included into the design of future housing, noise criteria would not be met unless a 65m setback from the rail freight line was provided.
 - The letter from Fremantle Ports to the Department for Planning and Infrastructure, dated 17 October 2002, which is the only letter from the Port relating to the Structure Plan, did not specify the need for a 30m public open space buffer
- (2) Yes.
- (3) The subdivision plan contains lots closer than 65m to the rail line. The Metropolitan Region Scheme Amendment, which zoned the subject land "Urban" to facilitate residential development, was granted environmental approval by the previous Minister for the Environment, subject to various environmental conditions.

Environmental Condition No. 3 requires the developer to prepare a noise management plan to ensure, inter alia, that residential development has adequate setbacks from the rail line together with appropriate noise amelioration measures. This Noise management Plan has been prepared and endorsed by the Environmental Protection Authority. Future development on the former ANI Bradkin site will need to comply with the recommendations of this Management Plan.